



DOC Health Services is taking this news very seriously. The Oregon Department of Corrections additionally reports adverse events following receipt of any COVID-19 vaccine to the Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System.

3/29/2021 (/doc/covid19/Pages/default.aspx) DOC Begins Process of Reinstating In-Person Visits

******As of 4/28/21 the OSP visiting pilot has been paused due to a change in the Governor's county risk level for Marion county. For more information see announcement above.******

Since March 13, 2020, adult in custody (AIC) visitation has been suspended in response to COVID-19. It has been a long year, and the Oregon Department of Corrections (DOC) is happy to announce our institutions are thoughtfully preparing to reinstate in-person visits.

To ease into re-opening, DOC will run "visiting pilots" at select institutions, beginning with a pilot program at the Oregon State Penitentiary (OSP). By starting with pilot institutions, the agency can work out any potential difficulties prior to reinstating visits at other locations across the state. DOC hopes this approach will help alleviate pressure on employees working visiting and avoid unnecessary disappointment and stress for AICs and their loved ones.

To keep everyone safe during visiting, the following protocols have been established for the OSP visiting pilot program:

- All visits must be pre-scheduled. Scheduling for the OSP pilot begins today, March 29, 2021. **OSP friends and family can call (503) 373-1332 to schedule.**
- Only one visit can be scheduled at a time to allow more family and friends the opportunity to visit their loved one. The allotted visit must be completed before another can be scheduled.
- Visits will be approximately one hour long. OSP cannot account for visiting delays (such as a visitor not having ID, wearing metal, not being current on their visiting status, etc.) or delays in retrieving AICs.
- All visits will be non-contact and social distancing will be enforced.
- AICs in quarantine or isolation will not participate in visiting.
- The number of visitors allowed in the visiting room will be based on available space when utilizing social distancing.
- Visitors will be symptom screened and temperature checked; visitors who are sick or symptomatic will not be allowed to visit.
- Both AICs and visitors must always wear appropriate face coverings and will perform hand hygiene immediately before and after the visit.
- Visitors will be assigned to stations to allow for contact tracing.
- No food or drink will be allowed.
- No photo ops will be offered.
- No toys, games, cards, or magazines will be accessible.
- Tables, chairs and other high-touch surfaces will be disinfected between visitation groups; all areas, to include lobbies and restrooms, will be cleaned following the completion of visiting each day.

OSP visitors should review the visiting guidelines and dress code (</doc/visiting/Pages/visiting>)